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Dear Lancers,

**Happy New Year!** I hope that everyone was able to enjoy their week off during our Holiday break. I would also like to take this time to remind all students to double check on their academic progress as we get closer to the end of the first semester. Student-Athletes who are currently participating in the Winter Season and all students who are planning on participating in the upcoming Spring Season, need to be academically eligible at the start of second semester. Please take the time to review academic eligibility as per the NJSIAA:

## **Credits**

- 1. To be eligible for athletic competition during the first semester (September 1 to January 31), a pupil must have passed 25% of the credits (30) required by the State of New Jersey for graduation (120), during the immediately preceding academic year.
- 2. To be eligible for athletic competition during the second semester (Feb. 1 to June 30), a pupil must have passed the equivalent of 12 1/2% of the credits (15) required by New Jersey for graduation (120) at the close of the preceding semester (Jan. 31). Full-year courses shall be equated as one-half of the total credits to be gained for the full year to determine credits passed during the immediately preceding semester.

## Student A

- Taking 7 full year classes
- Each full year class worth 5 credits each
- $(7 \times 5 = 35 \text{ total credits})$
- End of Semester 1 is passing all 7 classes
- (35/2 = 17.5 credits earned end of 1st Semester)

Eligible to participate in athletics during 2nd Semester

## Student B

- Taking 7 full year classes
- Each full year class worth 5 credits each
- $(7 \times 5 = 35 \text{ total credits})$
- End of Semester 1 is passing only 5 classes
- (25/2 = 12.5 credits earned end of 1st Semester)

NOT ELIGIBLE TO PARTICIPATE IN ATHLETICS DURING 2nd SEMESTER

Respectfully,

Mr. Suchanski Director of Athletics

